sion. The Philippines has yet to indicate a desire to become a neutralized state. So far as known, the United States has not taken the initial steps. The views of the other interested powers, except Japan, are unknown. Unofficial opinion in Japan has expressed itself as favorable to the plan, and that at least is an encouraging sign.

Will the great powers be willing to assume joint responsibility for the future of the Philippine Republic? Will the Philippines be safe as a perpetually neutralized state? Will the Philippines become another Belgium, and the treaty another scrap of paper? Thought-provoking questions.